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Docket No.: 1232-5341

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Shinichi HARA                      Group Art Unit: 2851  
Serial No.: 10/799,196                      Examiner: TBD  
Filed: March 12, 2004                      Confirmation No. 8170  
For: OPTICAL SYSTEM FOR USE IN EXPOSURE APPARATUS  
AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD USING THE SAME

**CLAIM TO CONVENTION PRIORITY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application and under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55, applicant(s) claim(s) the benefit of the following prior application(s):

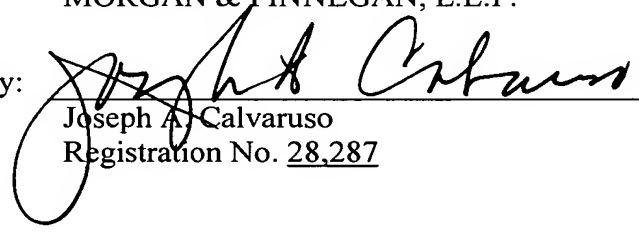
Application(s) filed in: Japan  
In the name of: Canon Kabushiki Kaisha  
Serial No(s): 2003-070036  
Filing Date(s): March 14, 2003

- ☒ Pursuant to the Claim to Priority, applicant(s) submit(s) a duly certified copy of said foreign application.
- ☐ A duly certified copy of said foreign application is in the file of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

Respectfully submitted,  
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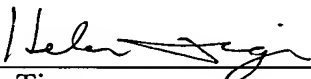
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1. Claim to Convention Priority
2. Certified Priority document - Japanese Patent Application  
Serial No. 2003-070036, filed March 14, 2003
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